

LIFE & TIMES

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On Post

Zoo Trip

Sign up now for the Jacksonville Zoo trip. The trip is scheduled for Saturday and costs \$8.50 for adults and \$5 for children. The one-day trip includes transportation and zoo admission fee.

Seats are limited so sign up now at the Leisure Travel Office, Bldg 443. 767-2841

Free baby layettes

Families who have had children since being deployed to Iraq, or have had them since their return, are eligible to receive a free layette offered by Spencer's Children's Clothing Company, Inc.

For specific guidelines and applications, contact the American Red Cross office at 767-2197.

Army One Source

Telephone counseling service is available for personal support and referrals to military and community resources.

For more information visit <http://www.armyone-source.com>. User ID Army password is "Onesource" or call 1-800-464-8107.

Home Business

Military spouses and retirees are needed as childcare providers in counties surrounding Fort Stewart and Hunter. If you like children, why not start your small business. Free training and assistance provided.

Resume Writing

A workshop is scheduled for Nov. 22, 9:30 a.m., ACS Bldg. 253.

For more information call 767-5058.

Off Post

Free Dinner

Golden Corral's Fourth Annual Military Appreciation dinner is Monday, 5 to 9 p.m. Veterans Day honors military personnel, past and present for their willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

All 400+ Golden Corral restaurants join together to offer a free "Thank-you Dinner Buffet." This offer is based on the honor system and no ID is required. Please come out and enjoy your friends and food.

MILES Program

Don't buy a vehicle until you are armed with knowledge. This program is designed exclusively for active duty servicemembers who cannot obtain bank or credit financing when purchasing a vehicle.

For information, visit or qualify online at usmiles.com or call the Military Installment Loan and Education Services Assistance Center toll free at (866)-466-4537.

To publish a brief in The Frontline, call 767-3440 or fax us at 767-9366. Deadline for briefs is Friday at noon.



Spc. Emily J. Wilsoncroft

Sgt. 1st Class Nickey Cantrell, member of the 3rd Inf Div. Band, playing the clarinet at the Westin in Savannah Saturday evening.

Community gives back to 4th Bde., 87th Div. with food, fun

Spc. Robert Adams

50th PAD

A low country boil was held Sunday for Soldiers and families of 4th Brigade, 87th Division (Training Support) to thank them for the hard work they provide to Fort Stewart.

Herb Shaw, Mayor of Jesup and Staff Sgt. Dwight Drury, 4th Bde., 87th Div assistant operations noncommissioned officer and co-owner of NeSmith-Walker Chevrolet in Jesup provided the food and fun for everybody to enjoy. In return, the brigade gave both of them a plaque

thanking them for their support of the unit.

"It is always great anytime we can pull Soldiers and families together," said Col. William B. Norman, 4th Bde. 87th Div. brigade commander. "It is also good to foster our relationship with the community that supports our unit."

The brigade's mission is to assist in increasing the overall unit proficiency of Reserve Component units. Over the past year the brigade has trained and evaluated more than 20,000 Soldiers in preparation for deployments to Iraq.

"Currently we are primarily training units through theater emersion," Norman said. "We are putting units through simulated Iraq environments and training them to detect and react to improvised explosive devices."

The brigade also helped out the 3rd Infantry Division by setting up the situation training exercises and Bradley and tank gunneries during Marne Focus.

Our Soldiers have worked hard seven days a week at times and this is our way of saying thanks for the sacrifices they have made, Drury said.

Marne band stirs crowd at show

Spc. Emily J. Wilsoncroft

Staff Writer

The 3rd Infantry Division Band "Rhythm of the Marne," played a patriotic concert sponsored by the Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort and Spa and Southern Smiles Saturday evening at the Westin.

The 3rd Inf. Div. Color Guard started off the ceremony by posting the national colors as the Band played "The Star Spangled Banner," conducted by 1st Sgt. Scott Turner.

Before the Band played its main selection, singer Huxsie Scott took the stage to perform renditions of a few of her favorite patriotic songs, and had the entire audience — all 850 people — waving American flags as she sang.

A few of the Band's numbers were "America the Beautiful," "Each Time you Tell Their Story," "Hymn to the Fallen," "When You are a Soldier" with vocals provided by Band member Sgt. Eric Lee, and "Tame the Perilous Skies."

The stage band also played several selections in a jazz style.

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Fred Catchings, Rhythm of the Marne conductor, welcomed the packed grand ballroom.

"On behalf of all of us," he said, listing the names of every band member, "thank you all for coming."

Concertgoers gave the performance rave reviews.

"I thought it was so terrific," said Savannahian Ginny Dawson. "It was so stirring ... it made me teary-eyed when they played the songs to fallen Soldiers."

"It's fantastic," said Hinesville resident Dee Parker. "These guys are the best band in the world, not just the Army, but the world."

Southern Smiles co-founder Lynda Long said her organization, which is currently in the planning stages of constructing a recreational park at Hunter Army Airfield (Patriot's Park), was proud to sponsor the event.

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Spc. Robert Adams

Col. William B. Norman, 4th Bde., 87th Div. brigade commander (middle) thanks Herb Shaw, Mayor of Jesup (right) and Staff Sgt. Dwight Drury, 4th Bde., 87th Div. assistant operations NCO (left) for providing the brigade with a low country boil Sunday on Fort Stewart.

Easy ways to slim down the traditional holiday feast

Kay Blakley

DeCA Europe Consumer Advocate

Are you among the millions of Americans who have developed a close and personal relationship with their bathroom scales after repeatedly hearing how overweight we've all become? Are you beginning to view the upcoming holidays, and all those delicious traditional dishes that go with them, as a beast rather than a feast? Then take heart, and read on for a few ways to lower the calorie content, but preserve the great tastes that are such an important part of American holiday meals.

Keep turkey as the centerpiece of your holiday table. It is a low-fat, high-protein, nutrient-dense food that can be a real bargain both in calories and in cost. At 59 to 96 cents per pound for a whole bone-in turkey, it's one of your commissary's best buys of the season. As long as you choose carefully, it's a great buy for calories spent, as well. A three-ounce serving of boneless, skinless turkey breast contains only about 120 calories, while a serving of dark meat turkey runs in the neighborhood of 160 calories. For the lowest calorie

count, choose either a fresh or frozen turkey that is not pre-basted (the basting solution can add a considerable number of calories) and be sure to check the Nutrition Facts Label on the package before making your final selection. Choices vary widely, and as with the basting solution mentioned above, additions and enhancements made to the product can change the calorie count dramatically. Remove the skin and all visible fat from the turkey before serving.

Would it surprise you to know that some of the traditional side dishes like dressing, mashed potatoes with gravy, candied sweet potatoes and that yummy green bean casserole topped with French fried onions weigh in at between 200 to 300 calories per serving? Unbelievable, isn't it? That's about the same number of calories contained in the pumpkin pie with whipped cream we simply must have for dessert! As a matter of fact, it's fairly easy to pack more than 2,000 calories (nearly a whole day's requirement for most people) into this one holiday meal. Take a look at the recipes below and decide if one

Light and Creamy Mashed Potatoes

Servings: 8

Calories per serving: 90

5 medium potatoes (2 pounds) peeled and cut into quarters

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon dried parsley flakes

Green Beans with Mushrooms

1 teaspoon dried onion flakes

1 package (3 tablespoons) butter buds

1/2 cup nonfat milk powder

1/2 teaspoon freshly ground pepper

1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

Place peeled potatoes in a large pot and cover with water. Cover and simmer for 20 to 30 minutes until potatoes are tender. Drain, reserving 1/2 cup cooking liquid. Mash potatoes with a potato masher. Add hot reserved cooking liquid and remaining ingredients, mash until tender.

Servings: 6

Calories per serving: 50

2 pounds fresh green beans

4 to 5 teaspoons water

1 cup fresh mushrooms, quartered

Individual Pumpkin Pie with Whipped Topping

1 teaspoon minced garlic

2 teaspoons olive oil

Bring 4 to 5 teaspoons water to a boil in a small frying pan. Add green beans, lower heat to medium and cover. When green beans are fork-tender, take off heat and drain. In another fry pan, sauté garlic and mushrooms in the olive oil for about 5 to 7 minutes. Add to green beans, toss well and serve.

Servings: 8

Calories per serving: 146

1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon ground ginger

1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

1/2 cup liquid egg substitute or 8 egg whites

12 ounces evaporated skim milk

1 cup low-fat frozen topping

Combine all ingredients in a large mixing bowl. Stir with a spoon or whisk until well combined. Spray 8 small custard cups with cooking spray, and divide mixture evenly among cups. Place cups on a baking sheet, and bake in a preheated 350°F oven for about 20 minutes, or until knife inserted into middle comes out clean.

Cool until slightly warm. Top each cup with 2 tablespoons whipped topping, and serve.

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Craft fair transforms Club Stewart into bazaar

Sgt. R. James Piper
Editor

Club Stewart's parking lot was transformed into an outdoor bazaar as hundreds of people shopped for values during the biannual crafts fair and flea market Saturday.

The event was sponsored by the Recreation and Business branch of the Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation, and according to Larry Cutchens, chief of recreation for MWR, the event allows the military community a chance to display their crafts and flea market items for sale and purchase.

Denise Slaughter, an attendee of the fair, said she was driving by when she saw the event and decided to stop. "It's pretty neat and an interesting idea," she said.

About 100 vendors displayed a variety of wares, ranging from odds and ends from around the house to candles that smelled good enough to eat.

Kathy Thompson, a salesperson for the Homemade Gourmet, has participated in the Hunter Army Airfield craft fair in the past, and when she found out about the Stewart fair she set up a booth.

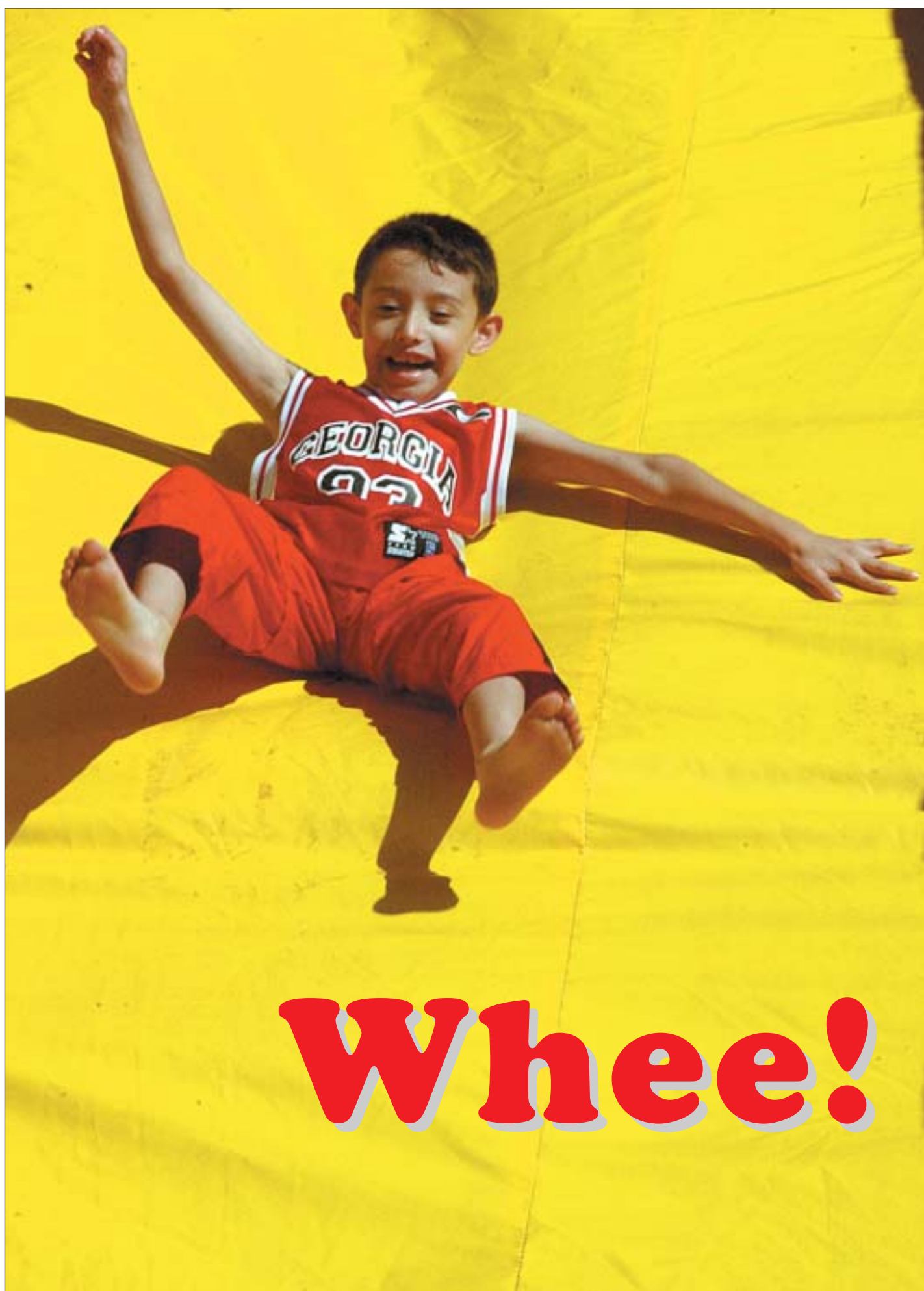
She said, "It has been a very good day for us, and we have enjoyed being here."

Kimberly Lewis, the owner of KL Candles, echoed Thompson's feeling about the turnout for the fair, and said, "It's been great out here. I couldn't have asked for a better day."

A variety of activities, besides shopping, were available throughout the day. There were free rides for children and entertainment ranging from bingo to the Palmetto Oasis Middle Eastern Dance Troupe.

"We had a great response from the people that attended," Cutchens said. "They want to know when the next one is scheduled."

The next craft fair and flea market is tentatively scheduled for March 2005.



Photos by Sgt. R. James Piper


Luke Flores, 7, goes careening down the inflatable slide at the the craft fair and flea market Saturday. A variety of children's rides and entertainment were available along with the shopping opportunities.




(Above) A volunteer follows a member of the Palmetto Oasis Middle Eastern Dance Troupe's lead. (Right) Terri Crawford, a salesperson for the Homemade Gourmet, explains to Nickia Slaughter, 14, the variety of dips, recipes and entrees they offer.



(Above) Homemade candles entice shoppers with their smell and realistic appearance. (Right) Mary Waterman takes a deep breath to smell the aroma from one of the mixed-fruit candles on sale.



A Thanksgiving You'll Never Forget!



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Thursday, 25 November 2004
MEAL TIME 1100-1500
767-7356

DIVARTY DINING FACILITY, BLDG 642
Thursday, 25 November 2004
MEAL TIME 1100-1430
352-6209

24TH CSG DINING FACILITY, BLDG 207
Thursday, 25 November 2004
MEAL TIME 1100-1400
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Thursday, 25 November 2004
MEAL TIME 1100-1400
352-6209

FIVE IRRESISTIBLE REASONS TO DINE WITH US

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- BRING YOUR OUT OF TOWN GUEST
- NO DISHES TO WASH AFTER THE MEAL
- JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER
- THE CONVENIENCE OF MAKING RESERVATIONS

MEAL PRICES

The holiday meal rate is \$5.40 and applies to the lunch holiday meal for all officers, enlisted, kids and civilians. Spouses and other dependents/kids of E-4 and below, as well as members of non-profit youth groups, will pay the discount rate of \$4.60. The standard FY 05 meal rates apply to the breakfast and dinner meals.

Don't miss out on this sensational Thanksgiving extravaganza!



Spc. Emily J. Wilsoncroft

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Fred Catchings and “The Rhythm of the Marne” take a bow after their performance at the Westin Saturday evening.

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Command Sgt. Maj. Lewis J. Kellam, Hunter garrison command sergeant major, also spoke at the event, thanking the band and remarking that during his time in the position, he has been overwhelmed by the amount of support shown by the community.

“We’re trying to promote Patriot’s

Park, which we see as a way to unite the military and civilian communities, and we thought this (concert) would be a perfect thing for us to be a part of,” Long said.

She added, “We want to promote the coming together of two communities, and I think this is the right way to do it.”

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or more of your dishes could be replaced with a lower calorie version.

The choice is yours. If you love the traditional foods just the way you’ve always made them, then go for it, and enjoy without guilt. Remember that it takes an extra 3,500 calories above what you expend to put one pound of weight

on your frame. So, get out your calculator and figure out how you’ll have to trim consumption in the days ahead to make up for this one glorious meal. Whichever choice you make, trust your good neighbors at the commissary to bring you all the holiday ingredients you’ll need at the best price around, and deliver it all with a famous DeCA smile!

Commissary holiday hours

Veterans Day — Open Nov. 11.

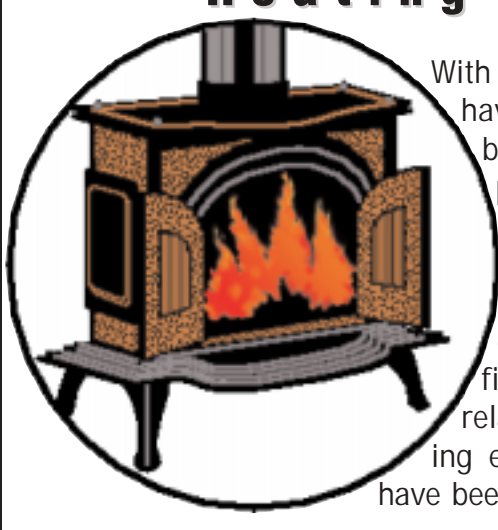
Thanksgiving — Open Nov. 22, closed Nov. 25 and Nov. 26.

Christmas — Open Dec. 20, closed Dec. 25 and Dec. 26.

New Years — Open Dec. 27, closed Jan. 1.



Heating Appliances



With the coming of fall temperatures, it’s time to have your heaters and fireplaces checked before using them. This will help to prevent problems that can occur from not being used. In 1999, there were 48,000 heating equipment-related home fires that resulted in 301 deaths and \$606.5 million in property damage. Two of every three home heating fires in the U.S. in 1999 and five of every six related deaths, were attributed to space heating equipment. Many of these fatalities could have been prevented by following some basic safety

- Fireplaces need to be inspected by a professional along with the chimney cleaned and related equipment each year.
- When turning a heating device on or off follow the manufacture's instructions.
- Furnaces should be checked to include changing the filter before being utilized.
 - Fuel portable kerosene heaters in a well-ventilated area away from flames or other heat sources. Use only the type of kerosene specified by the manufacturer, and never use gasoline.
 - Keep heaters at least three feet (or one meter) away from anything that can or could burn.
- Make sure any gas-fueled heating device is adequately ventilated. Never use liquefied-petroleum gas heaters.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

At peace with war: Reflections on the benefits of war

Chaplain (Maj.) Mark B. Nordstrom
1st Brigade

"I have heard the bullets whistle, and believe me, there is something charming in the sound."
— George Washington

Soldiers need to believe in the mission. This kind of reasoned belief is a spiritual value that links faith to mission accomplishment. In a tangible way, the spirit of the Soldier — what he or she believes about what they are asked to do — determines whether the mission will be accomplished at all. Here are some reasonable benefits of war. It's why I believe that what we were asked to do in Operation Iraqi Freedom was good. Now we are going back to fight the good fight, to keep faith with those who died, to finish the race. Like the whistling of bullets around George Washington's head, war sometimes brings certain benefits in its wake.

Freedom to Enjoy Life

War is an ugly thing, but not the ugliest of things;

The decayed and degraded state of moral and patriotic feeling

Which thinks that nothing is worth war is much worse.

A man who has nothing for which he is willing to fight;

Nothing he cares about more than his own personal safety;

Is a miserable creature who has no chance of being free,

Unless made and kept so by the exertions of better men than himself.

— John Stewart Mill

My prayer in the winter of 2003 while we waited in Kuwait for the war to start was that Operation Iraqi Freedom would be perceived as just. We and our neighbors were attacked and are still threatened with terror. St. Augustine wrote in 400 A.D., "War is love's response to a neighbor threatened by force." Our Soldiers' love for their families and our country gave them courage to fight. By volunteering for the Army and going to war, they truly loved their neighbor as themselves and so fulfilled the Biblical mandate.

I also prayed that the Iraqi people would come to possess the same freedoms and safety my family enjoys and for which we justly fought. I believe my prayers are starting to be answered. The Soldiers of the 3rd Infantry Division are those better men of John Stewart

Mill's poem who have generously fought for the freedom of the Iraqi people; freedom to enjoy the little things, like marriages.

I received an invitation to a wedding in a Syrian Orthodox Church in Old Baghdad on May 15, 2003. While there, a little boy ran to me through a crowd waiting to congratulate the newlyweds. I saw him just as he jumped up to hug me like my kids used to do. He grabbed me around the neck, kissed me, jumped down and ran back to his smiling parents. They nodded their heads in approval and welcome.

They were experiencing their first taste of freedom from the murderous regime of Saddam Hussein. At that moment I knew — really knew — that it was all worth it. The wedding pictured for me the prospect of new life and the hope for the future. The little boy gave exuberant expression to what many people of Baghdad felt — and still feel. Our war was — and remains — worth it.

Freedom of Religion
By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion. There on the poplars we hung our harps, for there our captors asked us for songs, our tormentors demand songs of joy; they said, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion."

— Psalm 137: 1-3

In late May of 2003, I met four Iraqi Christians in Baghdad not far from the spot where those Jewish captives, lamenting their fate so long ago, hung their harps. Our Soldiers were busy bringing peace to the city while the ever-present poplar trees gave them shade. I later discovered that the four were representing protestant churches in Baghdad and have a vision for the rejuvenation of their churches. After years of oppression and persecution they are now praying and hoping for peace and freedom of religion.

There are others who need freedom of religion. The Bishop of the Chaldean Catholic Church of Baghdad asked us to mediate for him with the Imam from the Iraqi Shiite Mosque next door. They had some difficulties in the past between them, but now, with the presence of American Soldiers, there was opportunity for peace between them. Our continuing presence and the prospect of the rule of law, established by a constitution and lead by democratically elected leaders, seems

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Worship Opportunities

Fort Stewart

Catholic	Location	Time
Sunday Mass	Heritage	9 a.m.
Saturday Mass	Heritage	5 p.m.
Weekday Mass	Victory	11:45 a.m.
Protestant		
Sunday Protestant Worship	Marne	11 a.m.
Sunday Gospel Service	Victory	11 a.m.
Sunday Family Friendly	Vale	11 a.m.
Tuesday Healing Service	WACH	11:30 a.m.
Sunday School	Diamond Elementary	9:30 a.m.
American Samoan		
Sunday Worship	Vale	1 p.m.
Muslim		
Friday Jum'ah	Building 610	12:30 p.m.
Masjid (Daily)	Building 610	9 a.m.
Lutheran		
Sunday Worship	Marne	9 a.m.
Jewish		
Friday Services	Marne	6 p.m.

Hunter Army Airfield

Protestant		
Protestant Sunday School	Religious Education Center	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service	Chapel	11 a.m.
Catholic		
Sunday Mass	Chapel	9:30 a.m.
CCD	Religious Education Center	11 a.m.

Pet of the Week

Solomon, a year-and-a-half old male Persian mix, absolutely knows he is royalty. Affectionate and bursting with personality, he's the lap cat you're looking for. His big, gold eyes and fluffy, white fur will make him a gorgeous addition to your family, too.

If you are interested in adopting a pet like Solomon for your home, call the Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic at 767-2842. The clinic is located on W. Bultman Avenue.





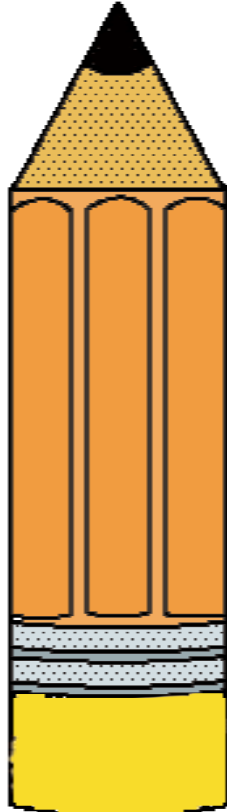
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The truth is, a little of your time can make a lifetime of difference. Because kids with something to do are less likely to do drugs. **You can help.** For more information on drug prevention programs in your community, call or visit:

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www.youcanhelpkids.org

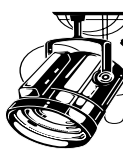
Ad Council Office of National Drug Control Policy

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Volunteer Spotlight



MONICA CARO



Monica Caro, a native of Colombia, is a Red Cross volunteer at Winn Army Community Hospital. She volunteers in the Public Affairs and Volunteer Services offices. In her free time, she enjoys dancing, cooking, traveling and spending time with family. Caro and her husband Carlos have two children, 8-year-old Stephany and 3-year-old Nathaly. If you would like more information about becoming an American Red Cross volunteer at Winn, call Brigitte Roberts at 370-6903 or send an email to Brigitte.Roberts@se.amedd.army.mil.



WOODRUFF THEATER

Nov. 11 - 17

Friday, Saturday and Sunday
General admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children.
\$1 Showings Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday



Mr. 3000 (R)
Starring: Bernie Mac, Angela Bassett
Tonight at 7 p.m.

After making what he thought was his 3,000th base hit, Stan retired, sure of his Hall of Fame. After discovering three of his hits had been disqualified, the 47-year-old, out-of-shape ball player returns seven years later the hits he needs. **Run Time:** 103 minutes

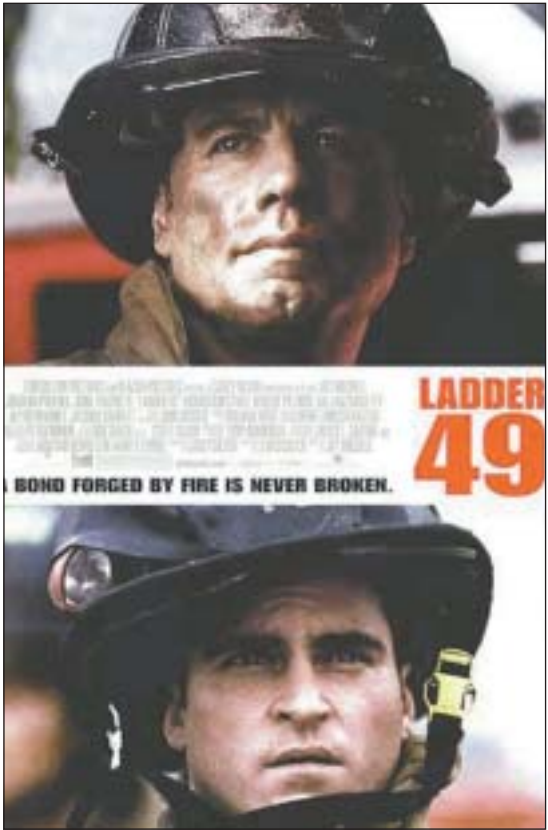
Ladder 49 (PG-13)
Starring: Joaquin Phoenix, John Travolta
Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

A young firefighter is trapped in a burning building and as his fellow firemen try to find a way to rescue him he looks back on his life and how he came to choose such a dangerous career. **Run Time:** 114 minutes

First Daughter (PG)
Starring: Katie Holmes, Marc Blucas
Monday and Tuesday at 7 p.m.
A very special college student deals with exams, first love, and national security in this teen-oriented romantic comedy-drama. **Run Time:** 105 minutes

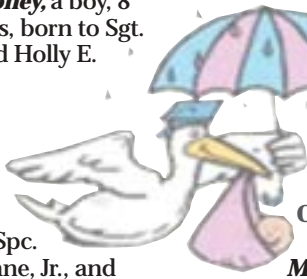
Raise Your Voice (PG-13)
Starring: Hilary Dugg, James Oliver
Wednesday at 7 p.m.

A teenage girl is determined to follow her dream in music, after her brother is killed in an auto accident, and tries to keep her relationship with her father although he objects to her profession. **Run Time:** 103 minutes



Birth Announcements

Oct. 21
James Conner King, a boy, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Spc. Ryan Phillip King and Meridythe Leigh King.
Oct. 22
Roy Henry Money, a boy, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Sgt. Roy F. Money and Holly E. Money.
Adrianna Ka'ihilokelani Tuaoitaua Mane, a girl, 5 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Spc. Moru Kilipati Mane, Jr., and Laureen Keola Hui-o-Hana Mane.
Alexandria Morgan Welch, a girl, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Pfc. Jeremy Welch and Spc. Bridgett Welch.



Spc. Justin Reese and Jill Reese.
Gage Alan Harder, a boy, 8 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Spc. James Harder and Amy Harder.
Oct. 25
Jason Anthony Brown, Jr., 8 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Sgt. Jason Anthony Brown, Sr., and Spc. Sheena Catherine Powell.
Oct. 26
Jullian Miguel Morales, a boy, 9 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Spc. Mike G. Morales and Jessica L. Morales.
Jemarlou Ahmad Wright, a boy, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Joyce Wright (dependent daughter of Staff Sgt. Larry G. Wright).
Oct. 27
Jasmine Cheyenne Dawson, a girl, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Spc. Amelitha Sherri Dawson.

to be the best chance for Christians and Muslims to exercise freedom of religion. As the 3rd Inf. Div. returns to Iraq, I now pray that freedom — paid for with our blood and lives — will extend to all Iraqis — Shia, Sunni, Kurd, Christian and Jew. The blessings of freedom, one of which is the freedom of worship, is both our security at home and our gift to others abroad. **Freedom to Take Responsibility** “God . . . made . . . every nation of men . . . and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him.” — Acts 17: 24-27 “God grants liberty only to those who love it and are always ready to guard and defend it.” — Daniel Webster Our responsibility is clear. That is to stay the course in the war against terrorism. Nothing in the crash of criticism against our war against terror in Afghanistan and Iraq has changed this. It is our calling. As a christian, I can see God's hand in these events, molding and shaping the boundaries of countries for His purposes, much as potter does a pot. I don't know the end of His activity, but I know Him, and trust Him. As a soldier and a citizen, I have a responsibility to guard and defend the liberties paid for with the blood of others. I trust our leaders, and believe in our cause of freedom for all. We can only hope and pray that the Iraqi people will take this responsibility as their own, for terrorism, left unchecked, will destroy us all. Directly following 9/11, I was part of a discussion on the sidelines of our high school football field. There was a pastor present, as well as a seminary teacher of evangelism. The question on everyone's mind was, “What should we do to combat these terrorists?” Some were troubled at the prospect of war in Afghanistan. They wondered if there was another way than war, and asked what I thought. My direct and simple answer to them was, “We must invade the countries that give terrorists safe harbor, overthrow their leadership and establish freedom for all.” Under the leadership of

our commander in chief, we are doing exactly that. Daniel Webster would have understood this perfectly. War is a troubling event. It may seem odd to speak of finding peace at war, yet I have. It's the peace of knowing that certain benefits have come of our suffering and killing and being killed. As Shakespeare wrote of King Henry at the battle of Agincourt when the English won an amazing victory against frightful odds, “This story shall a good man teach his son.” We also have a story to tell. It's the story that people everywhere ought to be able to enjoy life and have the benefits of freedom they long for. It's the story of freedom of religion for everyone, and all the other benefits of the rule of law. It's the story that soldiers love their neighbors as themselves and so go to war for them, and sometimes lay down their lives for them. It's the belief that our mission in OIF3 will continue to bring benefits to the Iraqi people and provide peace and safety for our families here at home. It's the story of being at peace with war.